THE FORT BENDER

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Cooperative Extension Program



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From the FBC 4-H Team-



The weather is warming and spring is just around the corner! Now is your chance to enjoy some outdoor activities before the Texas heat returns. Join us for the Wildlife and Fisheries informational meeting on April 12th. Details and RSVP instructions on the flyer.

The County Council cookie dough fundraiser will begin on March 26th and run through April 30th. Six options include Chunky Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter, Oatmeal Raisin, Sugar, White Chocolate Macadamia, and Snickerdoodle. Two-pound tubs will be offered for \$10 each, they make approximately 30 cookies. **There will NOT be a County Council meeting this month.**

Major show season is now in full swing, keep up the great work and best of luck to those headed to Houston and Austin!



Find Us Online!



WEBSITE

BLOG

FACEBOOK

March Events

1—Parent Leaders Meeting

5—Reel Club Info Meeting

26—County Council Cookie Dough Fundraiser begins

28—District 4-H Photography Contest Deadline

30—Holiday (Good Friday)



Please turn in your eligibility forms four days before your event.

You can request it using the form on the website up to 30 ahead of time.

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are required to contact Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service at 281.342.3034 five working days prior to the meeting so appropriate arrangements can be made. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.



Austin!! and Houston



Youth Wildlife and Fisheries Programs

Presented by Fort Bend County 4-H



Is this red, green, and blue bird native to our area? What is the difference between a water snake and a cottonmouth? What plants will bring the butterflies to you?

Join us for answers and more!

When: April 12th, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Where: The University Branch Library 14010 University Blvd. Sugar Land, TX

For questions, contact the AgriLife Extension Service of Fort Bend County at 281-342-3034

CLICK TO RSVP!







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When: Saturday, April 7, 2018

Where: Bud O'Shields Bldg

10:00 AM -12:00 PM Time:

Cost: FRFF

Register Online at http://agrilife.org/ftbend4h/

Presenter:

Michael Heaton of Heaton Rabbits Cuero, Texas

Open to:





All Fort Bend County 4-H and FFA members.

Topics to be Discussed:

- Selecting your breeder/ordering
 How to work your meat pen
- Cages/housing
- Feeding
- Things that could go wrong
- How to select your meat pen
- 25 mistakes not to make
- Showmanship

There will also be a section for Questions and Answers.

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2 LB. TUB
DOUGH MAKES
APPROXIMATELY
30 (1.08 OZ.)
COOKIES





SPRING KLEIN 4H SHOOTING CLUB



whiz bang & clay shoot

April 21, 2018

Boswell Porter 4H Facility (Snook, TX)



Each Event is 50 Birds American Trap & Skeet - \$35/ea Whizbang & Sporting Clays - \$45/ea

Check In: 7:15 - 7:45am Orientation: 7:45am Shooting Starts: 8:00am

AWARDS

Ladies Division

JR & Int. combined Sr1/Sr2 Separate

Open Divisions

Jr/Int/Sr1/Sr2

HOA & 1st-3rd Each Class

Adult Sporting Clays

Adult + 4H Member Team All Classes Combined 1st-3rd Place

Adult + 4-Her Sporting Clays:

- team consists of a 4-H shooter
 + Adult (>18).
- adult may shoot on more than one team (must register & shoot for each team)
- must register for team on iClays before the shoot
- · no onsite registration
- include partner's name in the Comments box on iClays (i.e. Adult + 4-Her Team with Joe Smith)
- no additional charge to compete in this event

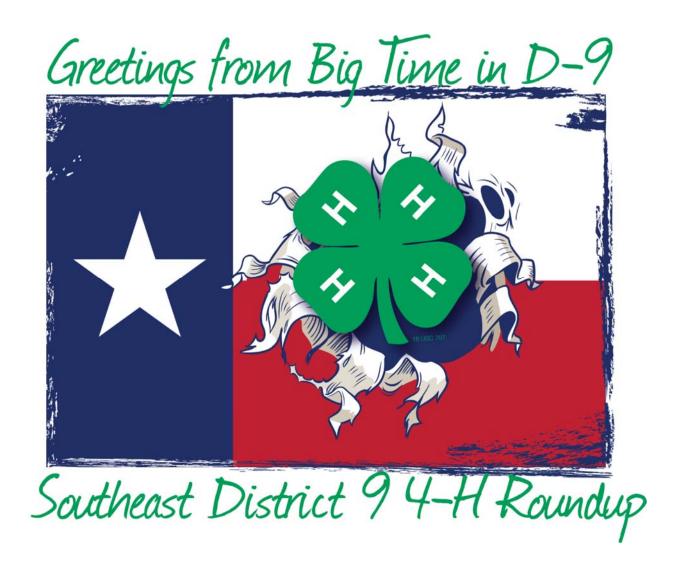
Code of Conduct:

The current 4-H Code of Conduct will be enforced both in and off the field during this event.

Shot Size:

- No shot size larger than 7.5 (7.5 to 9 only)
- · No tracker loads

For Questions: Contact Kelly Bursmith - springklein4hshooting@gmail.com



May 3-5, 2018

Schedule coming soon at:

https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/



District 9 4-H



Community Service

District 9 4-H is teaming up to gather toys for the Texas Children's Hospital!

This community service counts toward points for the Community Service Sweepstakes award, given at District Roundup!



Items are to be dropped off at Big Time in D9 throughout the duration of the weekend!

Texas Children's Hospital is requesting the following items:

-Lego Duplo blocks - Fisher Price Toys

-Hot Wheels cars -VTech toys

-Rattles -Barbie Dolls

-Nintendo DS Games -Superhero action figures

-Wedding Bubbles -Small Lego sets

-PlayDoh





Are you ready!

workshops

Competitions

leadership

Meeting new friends

Dancing

SERVICE

CONCERTS

June 11-14, 2018

Texas 4-H

Read, Lead,



Succeed



Book Drive



Texas 4-H is encouraging local 4-H clubs to collect new or gently used children and young adult books. The books will be donated to your local community schools, libraries, hospitals, etc.

Either use a "Donated by:" sticker, or write your own message to let the reader know that their book was donated by Texas 4-H



Please report your county's participation in this service project at https://fs4.formsite.com/state4h/Texas4HBookDrive/index.html Deadline to submit is June 1, 2018

Statewide impact will be shared during Texas 4-H Roundup

2018 SCHOLARSHIPS Community Outreach

Grants









JOANN stores are connecting more young people to experiences where they can learn by doing, creating and making. By providing local 4-H Clubs with resources and tools to run impactful programs, JOANN will help bring the 4-H experience to more kids in need.



Save 15% with JOANN 4-H Rewards!

Current & lifetime members, parents of members, volunteers and 4-H staff can **save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with 4-H Rewards.** JOANN will give a minimum of 2.5%
of every eligible transaction to support 4-H programming.









2018 Poultry Institute for Youth

Sponsored by U.S. Poultry and Egg Association



When?

The 2018 Poultry Institute for Youth will be held Sunday, June 10 through Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas.

What is the Poultry Institute?

The Institute is a 3 day camp for students with an interest in the poultry industry. Students will attend mini lectures taught by Texas A&M University staff on topics such as anatomy, embryology, immunology, nutrition and processing. Students will also participate in field trips to poultry facilities.



Who is Eligible?

Students who have an interest in poultry and will be enrolled in the Fall 2018 semester as a high school junior, senior, or college freshman are eligible to apply to attend the Poultry Institute for Youth.





How do I Apply?

Interested students must complete an application that can be found on the back of this flyer or at the following link:

https://posc.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/ sites/20/2018/01/2018-PIFY-Application.pdf

Students must submit their application by Thursday, May 10, 2018. Applications may be submitted through mail, fax or email. Participants will be selected based on their application. Notification will be sent to the selected students by Friday, May 18, 2018.



How much does it Cost?

A registration fee of \$50 will be required for each participant that is selected to attend the Institute. This fee is to be paid upon acceptance to the program. Registration fees will be paid online once students receive their acceptance packets. **Do not send money with the application.** All other expenses, except transportation to and from College Station, will be covered by the sponsorship of the U.S. Poultry and Egg Association.

For any questions about the Poultry Institute for Youth, please contact the Poultry Science Department at 979-845-1654.



The Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society's Wildlife Conservation Camp is designed for high school students who have completed 9th grade. Hands-on, outdoor activities such as • wildlife and plant ID • habitat management techniques • land stewardship • hunter safety • shooting sports • fishing • wildlife research • and more, are led by wildlife professionals in Texas.



Find applications at www.wildlifecamptx.org • Due May 1st
For more information contact Whitney Gann at
wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com





Experience Texas
Government in Real-Time!
Austin, Texas

Join Texas 4-H in
Legislative Process as
you submit, debate, and
decide the fate of
legislation affecting Texas!

Save the Date: July 22-25, 2018 Sheraton Austin at the Capitol

Registration Timelines:

Legislative Bill Submission: February 12th - May 15th
Lobbyist Applications Open: February 12th - March 23rd
Press Corp Applications Open: February 12th - March 23rd

Early Bird Registration: April 1st - April 30th Regular Registration: May 1st - May 31st Late Registration: June 1st - June 15th

All 4-H members attending are required to submit an individual legislative bill!

Open to 4-H members in 9th to 12th grades

4-H Youth participate as members of the House of Representatives/Senate, Press Corps, or Lobbyist!

To learn more about Texas 4-H Congress, Submit Bills, and Apply for Press and Lobbyists Corps, visit: texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/congress/